

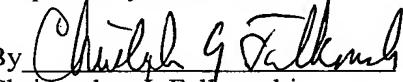
REMARKS

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this Amendment. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. 50000-0052 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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